



Richard Gregory O'Neill

May 24, 2006

Myrtle Beach Richard Gregory O'Neill of Myrtle Beach died Wednesday, May 24, 2006 at his home. Born on October 25, 1930 in Greensburg, PA, he was the son of the late Lawrence and Losey Hall O'Neill. He graduated from St. Vincent Preparatory School in Latrobe, PA and attended Carnegie Institute of Technology in Pittsburgh, PA, where he played basketball and was a member of Phi Kappa Fraternity. In 1972, he succeeded his father as president of O'Neill Plumbing and Heating, Inc. of Jeannette, PA. He was a member of the Jeannette Jaycees, Our Lady of Grace Church in Greensburg, PA and was president-elect of the Laurel Mechanical Contractors Associations when he, his wife and several family members moved to the Myrtle Beach area in late 1984. Along with his sons Kevin and Shawn, he established Carolina Cooling and Plumbing, Inc. in early 1985, and was president of that company until they sold the business in 1999. He was active in establishing the Surfside Industrial Park Association. He was a member of St. Michaels Catholic Church in Garden City, and its Knights of Columbus chapter. In addition to enjoying the love of his family, Mr. O'Neill was an avid traveler, bridge player and gardener. He is survived by his loving wife of fifty-five years, Barbara Ann Murrman O'Neill, eight children and twelve grandchildren: Son Richard Gregory O'Neill, Jr. of Troy, MI, his wife Mary and daughters Megan and Catherine O'Neill; Son Kevin V. O'Neill, of Myrtle Beach, his wife Mary Jane and sons Brian and Eric O'Neill; Son Bruce M. O'Neill, of Pittsburgh, PA, his wife Christie and stepchildren David, Jay and Susan Cooper; Son T. Shawn O'Neill, of Myrtle

Beach, his wife Cindy, children Michael, Tara and Christopher O'Neill and stepchildren Bryan, John and Megan Goldston; Daughter Kelly Jean O'Neill-Bagwell of Myrtle Beach, and her husband Mitchell Bagwell; Daughter Mary Beth O'Neill, of Ebensburg PA; Son Dr. Timothy B. O'Neill, of Myrtle Beach, SC and his wife Cindy, his daughters Jessica and Nicole O'Neill and stepdaughters Amanda Becker and Kristy Kulcsar; And son Dr. Patrick M. O'Neill, of N. Charleston, SC, his wife Constance, and children Erin, Ryan, and Evan O'Neill. A sister, Mary O'Neill Twigger, of Thousand Oaks, CA, a brother Lawrence O'Neill and his wife, Nancy of Colorado Springs, CO and a sister-in-law Margaret O'Neill of Greensburg, PA, also survive him, as well as eleven nieces and nephews. His brother Charles O'Neill predeceased him. In lieu of flowers, any memorials may be made to St. Michaels Building Fund, 542 Cypress Avenue, Garden City, SC 29576 or Mercy Hospice, PO Box 50640, Myrtle Beach, SC 29579 or Tug McGraw Brain Tumor Center, Duke University Hospital, Durham, NC. The family will receive friends from 2:00-4:00 and 6:00-8:00 PM, Friday at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel. Mass will be 10:00 AM, Saturday at St. Michael Catholic Church. Entombment will follow at Hillcrest Mausoleum in Conway, SC.

Tribute Wall



“ Dear Mrs. O, I am so sorry to hear about the passing of Mr. O. Pat just left my house yesterday and I had the privilege to watch the DVD of his life. As Pat watched for the 38th time with tears still in his eyes, I couldn't help but go back in time to the "good 'ol days" of Greensburg and playing b-ball in your driveway, and playing with Pat for the Dukes and so many other fond memories. Being a friend of Pat's for over 30 years, I always remember the O'Neill name as a family of good hard working people with integrity and intelligence. I am still honored to be a small distant part of your family and only hope my kids look at me as Pat and the rest of your family look at their dad. You have so much to be proud of. I love you, and hope for only the best. Sincerely, Brian Brezicki###imported-begin###Brian Brezicki###imported-end##

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“ My prayers are for all the O'Neill family at this time.###imported-begin###Sally J. Heath###imported-end##

May 26, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the O'Neil family. Dick was always a true gentleman and outstanding mechanical contractor. He established standards in the industry which we strive to emulate. He will be remembered in our prayers. With our love and affection....###imported-begin###Rich & Carol Yeager###imported-end##

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“ In business and in pleasure, Mr. O’Neill was always a personable, honest, straight up man who was respectable to deal with, and even more comfortable just to be around. As the founder and owner of Carolina Cooling & Plumbing, he established a business that followed his great attributes. I will always look up to, and have great admiration for his accomplishments in life, and the wonderful family he raised and loved dearly. Truly an intelligent, technically adept man with a great sense for commerce. God bless all the O’Neill family during this difficult time. We are truly sorry for your loss. With greatest respect and admiration. Verlon & Claire Wulf###imported-begin###Verlon & Claire Wulf###imported-end##

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“ Pat HOOK, I was sorry to hear about your Father, give everyone my deepest sympathy. Barry Schoolyard###imported-begin###Barry Sunder###imported-end##

May 25, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Barbara and family, Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Love Dick, BJ and family###imported-begin###Richard Sunder###imported-end##

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“ Mr. O'Neill and his wife and sons were active members of the South Carolina Association of Heating and AC Contractors before selling the business. We could always count on their attendance and support -- and positive attitude. Mr. O'Neill was always a gentleman. To the O'Neill family, my thoughts and prayers are with you. I wish God's comfort for each of you and want you to know that you have an industry family who cares about you. Leigh M. Faircloth
Executive Director SC Association of Heating & AC Contractors###imported-begin##Leigh Faircloth###imported-end##

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Patients of Dr. Tim Bill and Carolyn###imported-begin##Bill and Carolyn Johnston###imported-end##

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“ Kevin and Family, you and the family are in our thoughts and prayers. If we can help let us know. Bryan & Deborah Tripp###imported-begin##Bryan & Deborah Tripp###imported-end##

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“ Dear Barbara and family, So very sorry to hear about Dick. He was one of the great guys. Many wonderful memories come to mind of times spent together. We pray for your strength to get through this difficult time. With love, Bev & Frank###imported-begin##Pultz Family###imported-end##

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“ I was a property manager in Myrtle Beach many years ago and Mr. O'Neill, Kevin, and Shawn helped me out many times with projects and emergencies. Mr. O'Neill was always so patient in explaining situations and helping solve the problems. My thoughts and prayers are with the family. God bless.##imported-begin##Matoka Snuggs##imported-end##

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“ Thinking of you at this time of loss and lifting you up in prayer. I've grown to know you just through the wonderful stories that Cindy Goldston O'Neill has shared with me. You all have wonderful memories to cherish forever and have been blessed with a warm, loving, and supportive family. May God be with you now and always. Love,##imported-begin##John & Paula Potts##imported-end##

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“ I'm so glad I got to know Dick and your family many many years ago back in Jeannette at the old building on Second Street. It is a friendship I have always cherished and will continue to treasure. My husband still makes fun of me when he is doing a plumbing job and I try to tell him how to do it! Hey, I worked for a plumber for 12 years, I should know how to do plumbing!!!! Ha Ha. But I did learn many things from Dick and Barbara I don't say yours anymore Barbara. I will remember the good times and wonderful memories. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers. We know Dick is in a better place and smiling down on us.##imported-begin##Anna Bryson##imported-end##

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“ My wife Maureen and I are so sorry for your loss. It was quite evedent during my last visit to see my mom and my sister Janie that Mr. Oneill was well loved by his wife and children. Even during the deep greif you were all going through you all took the time to make me feel at home at Tim's. May God Bless Mr, Oneill and may he be with you all during this trying time.##imported-begin##Kenneth Gilarski##imported-end##

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